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SUBJECT: VOLVO TO SUPPLY ANGOLA WITH TRUCKS AND SEMITRAILERS

1. ON AUGUST 26 THE STOCKHOLM PRESS REPORTED THAT VOLVO INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION HAS CONCLUDED AN AGREEMENT WITH ANGOLA PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF 950 VOLVO TRUCKS AND 100 SEMITRAILERS WORTH A TOTAL OF SOME SKR 170 MILLION (ABOUT \$38.6 MILLION). UNDER THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT, VOLVO INTERNATIONAL IS ALSO TO PROVIDE ANGOLA WITH ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNOLOGICAL ASSISTANCE DURING A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS. THE AGREEMENT ALSO CALLS FOR THE SUPPLY OF SPARE PARTS FOR THE TRUCKS AND SEMITRAILERS. DELIVERY OF THIS ORDER IS SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE DURING NOVEMBER 1976 AND BE COMPLETED WITHIN A YEAR.

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2. THE STOCKHOLM PRESS REPORTS ALSO STATED THAT ANGOLA IN THE PAST HAS BEEN A GOOD MARKET FOR VOLVO'S LINE OF PRODUCTS. THE NEW CONTRACT, THEREFORE, MAY BE SAID TO MARK THE RE-ENTRY OF VOLVO IN THE ANGOLAN MARKET. FOLLOWING ITS ATTAINMENT OF NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE LAST YEAR, ANGOLA IS SAID TO BE IN THE PROCESS OF REBUILDING ITS TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.

3. ACCORDING TO A SWEDISH RADIO NEWS REPORT (NOT MENTIONED IN THE PRESS), ANGOLAN WORKERS WILL RECEIVE TRAINING AT THE VOLVO PLANTS IN SWEDEN.
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